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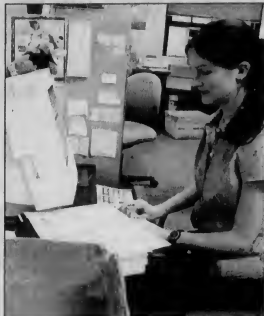
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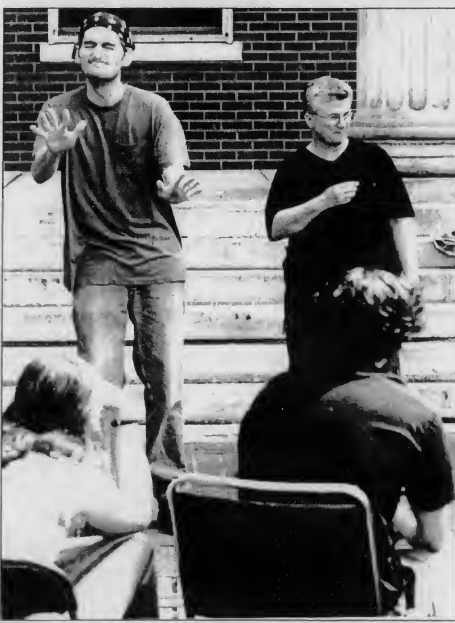
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Students Discuss Pig Problem

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Schaeffer said that out of 1600 students who take introductory biology classes each semester at Virginia Tech, only two to five choose to opt out of dissecting. Most students choose the alternative because of religious or medical reasons.

"We respect those differences," Schaeffer said.

Rosemary Barra, chair and professor of biology at Mary Washington College, said she does not think a dissection alternative should be offered.

"The faculty have determined an appropriate curriculum," Barra said. "The faculty have looked at [alternative] programs and they don't meet students' needs."

In a student survey conducted over two days by members of the ad-hoc committee, 15.9 percent of students asked said they have a moral or ethical objection to dissection. Of all the students surveyed, 13.6 percent said they took a science other than biology to fulfill their general education requirements because they objected to dissection, and 55.9 percent of those surveyed said the college should offer an alternative to dissection in intro level classes.

The committee also examined the financial costs of dissection and alternative methods. According to Barra, the biology department uses 200 fetal

pigs per year for dissection, for a total cost of \$2,600. From figures provided by the Humane Society, the committee reported that the total cost for an alternative program that includes a fetal pig model, dissection chart, instructional CD-ROM, dissection manual, and video, is \$2,635.

According to the Humane Society's Web site, the organization provides the kit free of charge to those interested.

The committee said this alternative "can be used repeatedly without additional cost and allow the students who do have objections to dissection to still interact with a replica of the organism gaining an understanding of the biology of that organism."

Katie Long, a junior biology major, said she understands the need for dissection alternatives.

"The first option is that there are lots of other science classes you could take, but I think it's legitimate that people want to take biology," Long said. "Especially in an intro class, you shouldn't have to do that."

Sophomore Lawton Clites said he is strongly against dissection. As an environmental science major, he had to take biology as a prerequisite for his major classes. He said he chose to abstain from dissecting and received a grade penalty in the class.

Clites thinks that Mary Washington College should follow the lead of other college's and offer an alternative to dissection.

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The committee's report will now move on to the student senate to gather more student opinion on the subject.

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Last Two Assistant Directors To Leave Campus Following This Semester

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Scott Eckhardt and Natalie Ellis, assistant directors of Residence Life, will not renew their contracts after this semester. As the last two ADs, they are leaving Residence Life with a severe shortage.

Prior to the 2000-2001 school year, Residence Life had four assistant directors on staff at the college. However they restructured the department and began the academic year with three AD's: Scott Eckhardt, Natalie Ellis and Kris McPeak. McPeak resigned in December and her position was not filled for the spring semester. Eckhardt and Ellis have been working for the college as ADs since June 1998.

Their job entails recruiting Resident Assistants, overseeing RAs and Head Residents, staff development and many other facets of Residence Life. Assistant directors also have an apartment in one of the dorms on campus; however, Ellis currently lives off campus with her husband and son. Eckhardt's apartment in Jefferson Hall will be vacated as well as Ellis' apartment in Willard.

Both of the ADs said that their decision to leave the college is for further advancement of their professional career, not due to a problem they have with the college. Eckhardt will move to Baltimore, where he will be the associate director of student life at Loyola College, a private Catholic college. Eckhardt will be the primary contact person for judicial affairs in his new position. Eckhardt emphasized that Loyola is a private college while Mary Washington College is public, a difference that has affected his choice.

"There is a cultural difference between private institutions and public institutions," Eckhardt said.

However, he said that is not the reason for his leaving. "I think it is refreshing to work with this type of population [at Mary Washington College]," Eckhardt said. "It's a cyclical environment. We prepare for the different seasons."

This cycle includes preparation for staff training in the fall for RAs, dealing with Residence Life issues during the school year, organizing housing selections, and recruiting RAs for the next school year. Scott feels that his experience at the college has adequately prepared him for his job at Loyola.

Contrary to Eckhardt, Ellis does not have a job lined up after her departure on July 1. One factor that has affected her life is the recent birth of her son.

"My lifestyle has changed dramatically over the last year with having a son," Ellis said.

Ellis said she is not sure what she will move onto once

her contract expires.

"The possibilities are endless after leaving this type of job," Ellis said.

Despite not having a new job, Ellis feels she should leave the college.

"It's time for me to move onto the next level of my professional career," Ellis said. "You really don't stay in the AD position for more than five years."

Ellis said she will miss working at the college but that she believes her departure is a positive move.

"It's been an awesome experience working here," Ellis said. "It's going to be sad leaving here. There is no problem with this office. We've done three full years here and it's time to move on to new challenges."

Chris Porter, director of Residence Life, said she is not surprised that these two staff members are leaving.

"It's not uncommon [for ADs to move on], particularly with how the job market is," Porter said. "I'm sorry to see them go. I understand their having to go to bigger and better things."

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Paul DiPlacidi, a junior resident assistant said that working with Ellis has been enjoyable.

"I'm really going to miss working for Natalie next year. She's been an incredible AD," DiPlacidi said. "Even when things are hectic, you can count on Natalie to be supportive and enthusiastic."

Residence Life has already begun the process of finding new employees to fill the AD positions for next year. Applications are already being received by the college, even though the deadline to apply is not until April 26. Eckhardt said that he thinks finding replacements for the AD positions will be challenging due to the present economy.

"I think at every institution I've worked for, when you're in an environment where the job market is as good as it is, it's difficult to recruit people," Scott said.

However, Eckhardt said that he believes understaffing in Residence Life is not uncommon.

"It's not unlikely to start or end a semester one staff member short," Eckhardt said. "Residence Life in general is normally understaffed."

Scott said that a professional search committee will screen the applications and the applicants will go through a full day interview to be considered as a replacement for the AD positions.

Ellis said that she is not worried whether the school will find replacements in time for the next academic year.

"I have no doubts the position will be filled," Ellis said. "We've had a bunch of resumes. People should be confident in the faculty next year."



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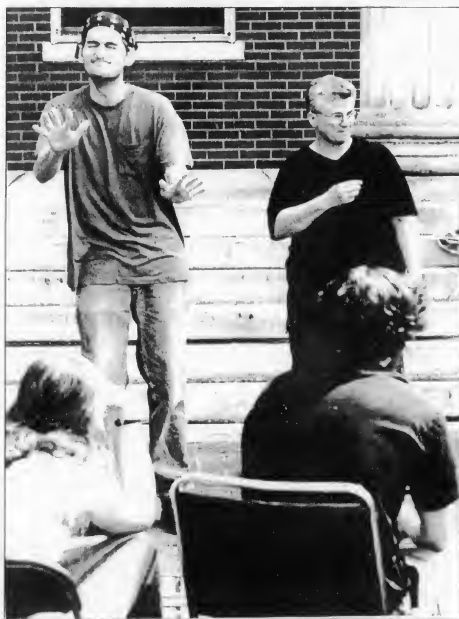
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April 16—Sometime between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. a student reported having her keys stolen from the Campus Christian Community. The case is under investigation.

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Vacationing Students Catch Disease Bug

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MWC Student Health Center sent out an e-mail urging all students who vacationed in Acapulco to receive a checkup immediately.

Nancy Yates, associate director of the Health Center, said no students replied to its e-mail.

"As of [April 16, 2001], there have been no reported incidents of the disease and no students

have reported being in Acapulco," Yates said. "I guess all our students go to Cancun."

Furthermore, Mary Washington College physician Ilma Meade Overman has not "heard of any reported outbreaks in Virginia schools."

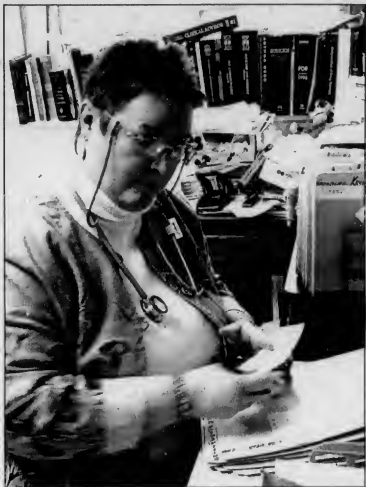
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Beach Hotel, but investigations are still underway.

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Student Defends Pro-Life Non-Violent Perspective

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"Pro-life violence." What a strange phrase, what a contradiction in terms. It is very familiar, though, from news reports. It certainly gives credence to the idea that the whole pro-life movement is a scam, and that to call yourself pro-life is to instantly deserve a place in the guarded wing of the insane asylum.

After all, the media makes it clear, over and over again, that violence is a trademark of the crazed pro-life movement.

Last month, two Pro-Choice Movie Festivals were held in Ball Hall as part of the Women's History Month celebrations, and I attended both as a member of the Pro-Life Group. The group attended in order to make a quiet statement of its belief that abortion is diametrically opposed to a celebration of womanhood. We sat around the room with pro-choicers and watched a half-hour video which was followed by some discussion.

Our hosts were extremely gracious, although an open atmosphere was much more successfully maintained at the first session, than at the second.

Of all the things I learned from those discussions, though, the one which struck me most was an idea that came up after the second video: that there really is a perception, among some people, that pro-lifers are heinous terrorists. This is despite the fact that cases have been

accumulating through the years of abortion providers being convicted of murder through criminal negligence, leaving women to bleed to death after botching their abortions. Cases of abortion providers who molest women, who abuse their own family members, multiply.

The nationwide media doesn't seem to

think that these stories are as newsworthy as are accounts of fanatic pro-lifers. It's worth noting, though, that the violence is far from one-sided. Human Life International (HLI) has compiled a list of 69 documented cases of murders by pro-choice advocates and a list of abortion practitioners. There is also a fairly shocking list of 1,437 assaults by pro-choicers which resulted in injuries, all fully documented. This does not include death threats and bomb threats made to pro-lifers, drug crimes, criminal mischief, or property crimes.

Let's take a look at the 'pro-life' violence. In the 28 years since abortion was legalized by the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision, exactly seven people have been murdered by pro-lifers, all since 1993, when what some people construe as a methodical crackdown on peaceful

protests began. Exactly ten other people have actually been injured by pro-life violence, although the National Abortion Federation (NAF) claims that there have been 120 cases of assault and battery. No documentation of these figures is provided at all, so I can't estimate their reliability.

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damage, though I should note that this is where destruction of abortion clinics falls. It's sad that this could happen... and these actions were as strongly condemned by every important pro-life organization, as they were by the press.

Interestingly, though, the number of people harmed by pro-lifers is equal to about one percent of those harmed

by pro-choicers, according to HLI figures, or ten percent, with NAF's.

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As awful and incomprehensible as these violent actions are, only nine people, out of the tens of thousands of pro-life activists in the country, have harmed anyone. If the pro-life movement is made criminal by the actions of nine people, then what can anyone possibly say to defend the pro-choice side? I don't think that you

can represent all pro-choicers by those who are very violently inclined, any more than the pro-life side can be depicted as a uniform bunch of murderous hotheads.

I do think that someone who calls him or herself pro-life, and thinks it's okay to kill someone, needs serious psychiatric help, and should not be on the streets. What is at the heart of the pro-life movement, though, is very different—it's a quest for peace. Peace of mind and concrete help for upset and cornered women, and the peaceful respect of any human life at every single stage.

I certainly don't think that every pro-choicer is a dangerous looney, and I wouldn't dream of turning against my pro-choice friends. It is time to discard the stereotype of pro-lifers as dangerous looneys. The pro-life commitment is to advance equal rights for every single human being, whether that person is a victim of Down's Syndrome, an elderly person, or yes, a pre-born child.

This commitment to people doesn't stop with the disadvantaged, either, since it's an all-encompassing philosophy of life. Please feel free to think of pro-lifers as totally wrong, entirely stupid and illogical, and whatever else you'd like, but don't absorb media stereotypes, and make the mistake of thinking that pro-lifers are violent. Violence of any kind is the ultimate contradiction of the pro-life ideal.

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ASL Argument Gets Nasty

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All day people have been e-mailing me, stopping me on my way to class or coming by my apartment asking me what my thoughts were on the ASL proposal.

Being one of two deaf people on campus, my opinion about the proposal to allow ASL transfer credit to count toward the foreign language requirement seemed to be of some value. I didn't quite understand why until I saw the e-mails Professor Stephen Fuller and Professor James Gaines wrote in response to Professor Kristina Kakava's proposal.

In these e-mails, two men, one a biology teacher and another a foreign language teacher, rather rudely criticize Professor Kakava, a linguistics professor, because her opinions as a linguist do not coincide with theirs on

the issue of whether or not ASL can be considered a foreign language.

What concerns me is that in rebutting her support for ASL as a foreign language, they have turned their arguments away from the language aspect and turned it into a crusade to discount the Deaf culture by saying that Deaf people are just hearing people who can't hear.

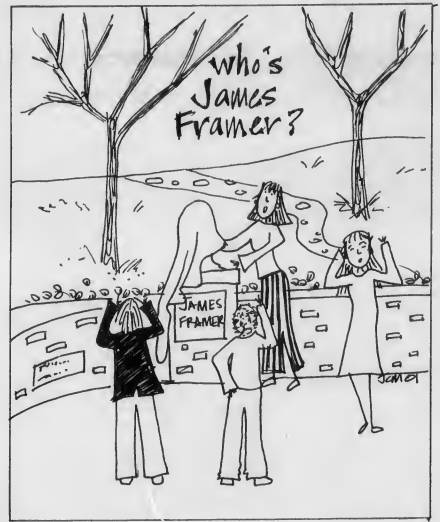
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I am a hearing person who happens to not be able to hear. I grew up hearing. My friends and family are hearing. I respond to my environment as a hearing person. I value the same things as hearing people and grieve for what I still value but that does not exist for me anymore. I also use English as my primary language.

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Letters to the Editor

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On a warm spring evening at Mary Washington College, you will be sure to find students strolling along campus walk enjoying the weather. A large percentage of them tend to congregate in Palmeri Plaza outside of Monroe Hall. Some students sit around smoking cigarettes, others chat about the latest gossip, some attempt to do cartwheels, but for the most part, people assemble around the fountain. On an especially warm evening, many are tempted to actually get in the fountain.

However, this apparently is not allowed on our campus. For I have noticed that as soon as someone dips his or her big toe into the water, a police officer

comes strolling along, ready to kick that person out.

Last week when I partook in the popular activity of sitting by the fountain, I witnessed four individuals step in, and then immediately step out. I don't know if the police are on a 24-hour watch or something, but they always manage to arrive in a matter of seconds. They always take down a name and repeat the ever-so-meaningful phrase, "This fountain is for looking, not for swimming."

I, myself, have actually succumbed to the pressures of the fountain. I was only in the water for a minute when I saw a police officer walking up with a smug grin on his face. It was almost as if he was taking joy in kicking me out of the fountain. After getting out and dripping all over his shiny shoes, he proceeded to lecture me on the "dangers" of the fountain.

Apparently, you could trip and hurt yourself on the

pipes, that is if you are blind enough to miss the huge metal rods sticking out of the water. In addition to injuring yourself, you could also damage the pipe itself. If this happens, the fountain has to be drained, which we are all familiar with, and repaired using college funds.

Throughout this enlightening lecture, I never got the chance to ask the policeman if someone had actually reported injuring him or herself while swimming in the fountain.

I understand they are trying to protect us, but the administration should realize that if we want to swim in the fountain, we will swim in the fountain. No matter how many times they kick us out, we will still jump back in. They might be better off putting up a disclaimer. Something along the lines of, "Enter At Your Own Risk," might cause a student to think

twice before jumping in for a late-night dip.

Angela Haughey
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Enjoy Your Years Here
Editor:

Many previous letters to the editor have been complaints about Mary Washington College. As a graduating senior, I will look back at my experiences in Fredericksburg fondly. People like to complain that there is nothing to do here at school. Yet as was stated a few weeks ago, there are numerous activities, but students just do not wish to attend them. Because of the low attendance, many campus activities are embarrassing to attend especially if there is a

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Police Beat



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Vacationing Students Catch Disease Bug

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MWC Student Health Center sent out an e-mail urging all students who vacationed in Acapulco to receive a checkup immediately.

Nancy Yates, associate director of the Health Center, said no students replied to its e-mail.

"As of [April 16, 2001], there have been no reported incidents of the disease and no students

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"Overall, it just became easier and less frustrating to avoid 'disability services altogether,'" Willis wrote. "I was pretty lucky though because I had managed to find a lot of professors who were willing to provide the accommodations I needed, closed captioned televisions and facing the class when he or she talked, as a courtesy rather than a requirement."

Both Callaghan and Willis wrote that they see needs of students with disabilities at the college that are not being met by Disability Services.

"A college education is not just classes, it's also the events, the speakers, the performances," Callaghan wrote. "And if the disability services will not provide help, who will?"

Willis wrote that she has not had difficulty with everyone in Disability Services and that her professors, President Anderson and other administrators have been very helpful to her. She also wrote that she thinks the office should work more closely with each student with a disability so that his or her personal needs are met.

"Disability Services should help students solve problems whether it's a professor who won't provide the accommodation or trying new accommodations because the current ones don't work," Willis wrote. "They should be helping students explore their limits more rather than setting their disability as a limit."

CORRECTION:

In the last week's article "Student Committee Dissects Fetal Pig Issue," the Academic Affairs Council discussed the mandatory fetal pig dissections in introductory biology classes.

In last week's BulletinOnline poll, it should have stated that registration was better than ever for 63% of respondents.

Would you like to stay for Graduation? Would you like to go to Grad Ball? Come to Student Activities and apply to be an usher.

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Money Matters

The Office of Admission's recent decision to accept 200 fewer students for next fall's freshman class should be applauded as a good first step. Hopefully, if the Office continues to accept less students, it will help alleviate the many problems that have resulted from over-enrollment of Mary Washington College classes, most notably overcrowded residence halls and increased class size.

Currentl, because of the increased enrollment, students no longer have the option of living on-campus during their four years here if they wish, and through a random lottery, they can be forced off-campus for their junior and senior years. In addition, the larger classes have caused course sections to balloon, in effect causing the college to lose the small school charm and the closeness between students and faculty members.

If the college is truly concerned about student well-being, kicking them off-campus certainly appears to be a step in the wrong direction. If the college is concerned about its charm, it should cap acceptance at a point where class sizes do not dictate forcing students off-campus because of overcrowded dorms.

The only reason for not scaling back class sizes even more is a simple one: money. Mary Washington College prides itself on its top ten national ranking of best value college in an obscure periodical, Money Magazine, and it is logical that the student prices have been kept low to maintain this ranking. However, if the tuition prices stay constant, the easiest way to gain more revenue is to accept more people.

If the college is so concerned about revenue, it should increase the price of tuition instead of maintaining a high level of enrollment at an already overcrowded campus, which creates problems for students and faculty alike. Is being a Money Magazine top 10 value school worth losing the liberal arts experience on which Mary Washington College prides itself?

Student Defends Pro-Life Non-Violent Perspective

AUDREY MORAN
Staff Writer

"Pro-life violence." What a strange phrase, what a contradiction in terms. It is very familiar, though, from news reports. It certainly gives credence to the idea that the whole pro-life movement is a scam, and that to call yourself pro-life is to instantly deserve a place in the guarded wing of the insane asylum.

After all, the media makes it clear, over and over again, that violence is a trademark of the crazed pro-life movement.

Last month, two Pro-Choice Movie Festivals were held in Ball Hall as part of the Women's History Month celebrations, and I attended both as a member of the Pro-Life Group. The group attended in order to make a quiet statement of its belief that abortion is diametrically opposed to a celebration of womanhood. We sat around the room with pro-choicers and watched a half-hour video which was followed by some discussion.

Our hosts were extremely gracious, although an open atmosphere was much more successfully maintained at the first session, than at the second.

Of all the things I learned from those discussions, though, the one which struck me most was an idea that came up after the second video: that there really is a perception, among some people, that pro-lifers are heinous terrorists. This is despite the fact that cases have been

accumulating through the years of abortion providers being convicted of murder through criminal negligence, leaving women to bleed to death after botching their abortions. Cases of abortion providers who molest women, who abuse their own family members, multiply.

The nationwide media doesn't seem to think that these stories are as newsworthy as are accounts of fanatic pro-lifers. It is worth noting, though, that the violence is far from one-sided. Human Life International (HLI) has compiled a list of 69 documented cases of murders by pro-choice advocates and a list of 69 documented cases of murders by abortion practitioners. There is also a fairly shocking list of 1,437 assaults by pro-choicers which resulted in injuries, all fully documented. This does not include death threats and bomb threats made to pro-lifers, drug crimes, criminal mischief, or property crimes.

Let's take a look at the 'pro-life' violence. In the 28 years since abortion was legalized by the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision, exactly seven people have been murdered by pro-lifers, all since 1993, when what some people construe as a methodical crackdown on peaceful

protests began. Exactly ten other people have actually been injured by pro-life violence, although the National Abortion Federation (NAF) claims that there have been 120 cases of assault and battery. No documentation of these figures is provided at all, so I can't estimate their reliability.

Again, this doesn't include property damage, though I should note that this is where destruction of abortion clinics falls. It's sad that this could happen... and these actions were as strongly condemned by every important pro-life organization, as they were by the press.

Interestingly, though, the number of people harmed by pro-lifers is equal to about one percent of those harmed

by pro-choicers, according to HLI figures, or ten percent, with NAF's.

It is ridiculous to think that the cases of pro-life violence could be construed as representative of the methods of the pro-life movement in general.

As awful and incomprehensible as these violent actions are, only nine people, out of the tens of thousands of pro-life activists in the country, have harmed anyone. If the pro-life movement is made criminal by the actions of nine people, then what can anyone possibly say to defend the pro-choice side? I don't think that you

can represent all pro-choicers by those who are very violently inclined, any more than the pro-life side can be depicted as a uniform bunch of murderous hoodlums.

I do think that someone who calls him or herself pro-life, and thinks it's okay to kill someone, needs serious psychiatric help, and should not be on the streets. What is at the heart of the pro-life movement, though, is very different—it's a quest for peace. Peace of mind and concrete help for upset and cornered women, and the peaceful respect of any human life at every single stage.

I certainly don't think that every pro-choicer is a dangerous looney, and I wouldn't dream of turning against my pro-choice friends. It is time to discard the stereotype of pro-lifers as dangerous looneys. The pro-life commitment is to advance equal rights for every single human being, whether that person is a victim of Down's Syndrome, an elderly person, or yes, a pre-born child.

This commitment to people doesn't stop with the disadvantaged, either, since it's an all-encompassing philosophy of life. Please feel free to think of pro-lifers as totally wrong, entirely stupid and illogical, and whatever else you'd like, but don't absorb media stereotypes, and make the mistake of thinking that pro-lifers are violent. Violence of any kind is the ultimate contradiction of the pro-life ideal.

Audrey Moran is a freshman.

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Audrey Moran

ASL Argument Gets Nasty

TAMMIE WILLIS
Staff Writer

All day people have been e-mailing me, stopping me on my way to class or coming by my apartment asking me what my thoughts were on the ASL proposal.

Being one of two deaf people on campus, my opinion about the proposal to allow ASL transfer credit to count toward the foreign language requirement seemed to be of some value. I didn't quite understand why until I saw the e-mails Professor Stephen Fuller and Professor James Gaines wrote in response to Professor Kristina Kakava's proposal.

In these e-mails, two men, one a biology teacher and another a foreign language teacher, rather rudely criticized Professor Kakava, a linguistics professor, because her opinions as a linguist do not coincide with theirs on

the issue of whether or not ASL can be considered a foreign language.

What concerns me is that in rebutting her support for ASL as a foreign language, they have turned their arguments away from the language aspect and turned it into a crusade to discount the Deaf culture by saying that Deaf people are just hearing people who can't hear.

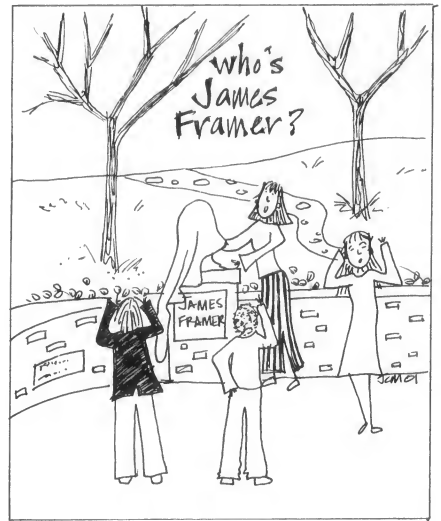
I have spent the last six years dismantling the assumptions and stereotypes associated with my hearing loss.

Tammie Willis

Now, most of the people who know me also know that I have a profound hearing loss. I have spent the last six years dismantling the assumptions and stereotypes associated with my hearing loss that I have faced on an almost daily basis.

I am a hearing person who happens to not be able to hear. I grew up hearing. My friends and family are hearing. I respond to my environment as a hearing person. I value the same things as hearing people and grieve for what I still value but that does not exist for me anymore. I also use English as my primary language.

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Letters to the Editor

Spish Splash I Can't Take A Bath

Editor:

On a warm spring evening at Mary Washington College, you will be sure to find students strolling along campus walks enjoying the weather. A large percentage of them tend to congregate in Palmieri Plaza outside of Monroe Hall. Some students sit around smoking cigarettes, others chat about the latest gossip, some attempt to do cartwheels, but for the most part, people assemble around the fountain. On an especially warm evening, many are tempted to actually get in the fountain.

However, this apparently is not allowed on our campus. For I have noticed that as soon as someone dips his or her big toe into the water, a police officer

comes strolling along, ready to kick that person out.

Last week when I partook in the popular activity of sitting by the fountain, I witnessed four individuals step in, and then immediately step out. I don't know if the police are on a 24-hour watch or something, but they always manage to arrive in a matter of seconds. They always take down a name and repeat the ever-so-memorable phrase, "This fountain is for looking, not for swimming."

I, myself, have actually succumbed to the pressures of the fountain. I was only in the water for a minute when I saw a police officer walking up with a smug grin on his face. It was almost as if he was taking joy in kicking me out of the fountain. After getting out and dripping all over his shiny shoes, he proceeded to lecture me on the "dangers" of the fountain.

Apparently, you could trip and hurt yourself on the

pipes, that is if you are blind enough to miss the huge metal rods sticking out of the water. In addition to injuring yourself, you could also damage the pipe itself. If this happens, the fountain has to be drained, which we are all familiar with, and repaired using college funds.

Throughout this enlightening lecture, I never got the chance to ask the policeman if someone had actually reported injuring him or herself while swimming in the fountain. I understand that they are trying to protect us, but the administration should realize that if we want to swim in the fountain, we will swim in the fountain. No matter how many times they kick us out, we will still jump back in. They might be better off putting up a disclaimer. Something along the lines of, "Enter At Your Own Risk," might cause a student to think

twice before jumping in for a late-night dip.

Angela Haughney
Sophomore

Enjoy Your Years Here

Editor:

Many previous letters to the editor have been complaints about Mary Washington College. As a graduating senior, I will look back at my experiences in Fredericksburg fondly. People like to complain that there is nothing to do here at school. Yet as was stated a few weeks ago, there are numerous activities, but students just do not wish to attend them. Because of the low attendance, many campus activities are embarrassingly to attend especially if there is a

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to allergies



to putting water back in the fountain



to no heat in the residence halls

in the stars

Aquarius - Do something especially romantic today. Add a little spice to your love life. Plan how to make your special someone smile for the day.

Pisces - Drive yourself to succeed. The image is success makes you feel better about yourself. When others see you as a powerful person, you will then feel respected.

Aries - Fight your desire to put off doing what needs to be done. Push yourself to complete your tasks, even if you are tired.

Taurus - Increase your knowledge of your job. Learn something new that will help to advance your career and get you the salary you want.

Gemini - Spend some time today looking back at your life. Think about what you have done to cause others heartache. Try to fix this. Get rid of the guilt you feel.

Cancer - A new person will be drawn towards your magnetic personality. He/she will become an important part of your life in the near future.

Leo - When starting your new decorating project, be tasteful in choosing colors. Research what will be right for yourself and your family.

Virgo - Make sure that you are taking care of your body the way that it needs to be taken care of. Get a check-up. Stay up to date with your exercise schedule.

Libra - Ask yourself who you are. Reassess your life. Make sure that you are on track with what you have always dreamed of doing with yourself.

Scorpio - You will soon be held accountable for something you did. Explain why you did this and what drove you to feel the way you did.

Sagittarius - Let your partner in. Inform him/her of what is bothering you. Improve your channels of communication by trusting your partner with your secret.

Capricorn - Beware! You are doing something very destructive to yourself but are not aware of it. Think about what you could be doing to harm your life.

Good To The Last Cup?

By LAUREN LEGARD
Assistant Features Editor

Although sophomore Allyson Sheffield has an interesting way of preparing her coffee, she uses the caffeine for a very common purpose. "I had stayed up late studying. I had a big test and a project," Sheffield said. "I put enough instant coffee for about three or four cups in tap water so that it was honey-like and then took a shot of it. I was up all night."

According to Tim Lockett, director of Dining Services, on Feb. 15, the Eagles Nest sold 200 cups of coffee. Lockett said that this day was a typical representation of daily coffee sales.

"Coffee drinkers are coffee drinkers consistently," Lockett said. "Hot cider and hot chocolate dies down when it gets warm, but coffee accounts for about 15 percent to 20 percent of all of our beverage sales."

According to Stephen Cherniske, a research and clinical nutritionist and author of "Caffeine Blues," the harmful consequences of caffeine outweigh its benefits.

Cherniske reported that caffeine is a major cause of fatigue and is hard on the liver as it must detoxify the system. In addition, caffeine stimulates the production of stress hormones, and can cause poor digestion. Caffeine also affects an individual's sleep cycle, increases blood pressure, causes muscle tension, and contributes to iron loss.

"When someone doesn't feel well we encourage them to cut back on caffeine," said Helen Sanders, the allergy nurse at the college Health Center. "Adequate fluid intake keeps you healthy. If your basic fluid intake is coffee, then you feel weak and headachy."

She went on to say that the standard procedure when a student comes to the Health Center

complaining of insomnia, heart rate problems, and stomach problems is to encourage the student to eliminate caffeine consumption over the short term as a form of treatment.

According to the "Wall Street Journal," caffeine is not entirely harmful. The article stated that a study of more than 7,400 people between the ages of 20 and 60 suggests that caffeine can actually improve cognitive abilities.

According to "The Mirror," caffeine has been shown to "boost energy levels, may help prevent colo-rectal cancer and may even protect against Parkinson's."

Although there may be positive effects, withdrawal symptoms, have often been cited in connection with caffeine. These withdrawal symptoms, according to Cherniske, can include headache and depression, as well as fatigue, irritability, disorientation, muscle tension, nausea, and vomiting.

Sophomore Meredith Wadsworth experienced some of these symptoms firsthand.

"I gave up caffeine for about a month for Lent but drank coke instead. I was shaking, and had a headache for two weeks. I didn't want to get out of bed on the first day," she said.

If someone really wants to quit drinking coffee completely, Cherniske said that quitting cold-turkey is rarely successful. He offers alternatives plans such as replacing caffeinated coffee with a coffee alternative, or weaning oneself off of coffee gradually to avoid the headaches associated with withdrawal.

"I try to limit [the number of cups of coffee] to one in a day or every other day. I usually have no reaction to the caffeine and haven't tried to stop," said junior Liz Gamboa. "I am picky. I don't like watered-down stuff."

So if you drink coffee make sure to consider the pros and cons of your beverage choice.

FAST FACT:

When ordering coffee on U.S. flights, for the East Coast, "regular" is with milk and sugar; on the West Coast, "regular" coffee is black.



Junior Jordan Monroe helps himself to some coffee in the Eagle's Nest. The Eagle's Nest sells about 200 cups of coffee a day.

God Save The Rugby Queen

By SARAH WHAREN
Staff Writer

I trudged through the mud in my sopping cleats to line up behind the other girls. Rain stung my face and made me squint as I tried to remember what we had been instructed to do: Lie down on your stomach, arms in push-up position. When the whistle blows, get up as fast as you can, sprint toward the blue tackling bag, and take it down with as much force as possible. I reached the front of the line and got down on my stomach, feeling the mush squish between my fingers. Digging my toes into the mud and glaring at my target, I held my breath and waited for the whistle.

Studying abroad in Bath, England for a semester was my chance to immerse myself in British culture. I was prepared to challenge myself in my studies and in other activities. The other American students and I were strongly encouraged to participate in events and organizations in the community and at the nearby University of Bath. So, when my best friend suggested that we join the University of Bath Women's Rugby team, I thought, why not?

Let me put this into perspective. The only sports I have ever played were a little

tennis in high school and soccer for a season when I was six. I still don't know why I thought it would be fun to play a full-contact sport with nothing between me and a very large Welsh woman but my cheap sweats and a T-shirt. But, I took on the challenge and returned to the States knowing that it had made me a stronger person.

At first, my best friend Dana Ross' idea sounded like a good one.

"I'll teach you how to fall correctly, so you don't get hurt," Ross said. "You don't even have to play in any games. Just go to the practices with me."

Ross demonstrated on me a few times before we attended the first practice. She helped me get accustomed to taking a fall without breaking a wrist or getting a cleat in the face. I now know that she was going easy on me.

Ross and I boarded the bus to the University of Bath for the first practice with our cleats flung over our shoulders, feeling oh, so cool. By the end of the night, I would be limping back to my house with nothing on my mind but soaking in a long, hot bath and crawling into bed.

The practice started with two laps around the "pitch" or playing field. So far, so good. Then, we did a few passing drills, concentrating on passing the oversized football to the side in a spiral. After that, some more drills were performed over and over again involving more running than I've ever done in my short, inactive life.

Being an addition to the women's rugby team became a physical challenge in my life, as well as a lot of fun. The weeks went by and I got better at tackling. By the end of the semester, the Welsh girl who was twice my size found it difficult to bring me down and I had learned to grab at the knees to effectively send someone slamming into the ground.

Glaring at the blue tackling bag, every nerve was on edge, waiting for the signal. The shrill whistle barely started to blow and I was on my feet, charging forward. I launched off my feet, arms outstretched, teeth clenched. The bag slammed into my right shoulder, exactly as I had planned. I grabbed hold of the thick cylinder and felt it smash into the mud, sliding a bit from the momentum.

"Well done, American," the coach yelled.

I got up, quickly reset the bag for the next player, and trotted back to the end of the line. Smiling to myself I thought, "Let's do it again, and better this time."



photo courtesy of Sarah Wharen
Sarah Wharen, right, and her friend Dana Ross played rugby in Bath, England

MWC's Best Kept Secret

By AUDREY MORAN
Staff Writer

What are the ingredients for cooking up a 22 person shocker of a Mary Washington College debate team in 2000-2001, from the base of a seven person team in the 1999-2000 year? Well, first include Tim O'Donnell, hired as the new director of the debate team early last year; a hearty portion of recruiting over last summer; fifteen willing and able new Mary Washington College debaters. Then add about twenty to thirty hours of researching and practicing per student each week and several gallons of all-around energy, enthusiasm and perseverance.

Combine all ingredients, stir strongly for several months until the end of the debate season. Serve cold to Eagles' debate opponents.

Congratulations! You now know how to create Mary Washington's most successful debate team ever.

"We brought home two awards last year; they're hanging on our walls," senior Judy Goss said. "This year we brought home awards at almost every tournament we competed at. Last year people said 'Mary Washington's not competition.'"

Whether it's within your culinary powers to create this sort of masterpiece or not, all of the best debate chefs have recognized that the Mary Washington College team has grown and flourished this year under O'Donnell's guidance and encouragement. He was awarded the Lambert Award, which is for coaches who shape good teams under difficult conditions. O'Donnell debated in high school and college, and has previously been assistant director of Debate at the University of Pittsburgh and director of debate for a nationally recognized high school team.

Emphasis on team play is a very strong factor in the college's debate team. Freshman Hazel Uhlenhopp said that the team mentality helped because her debate experience prior to college was very low-caliber.

"I had to learn it all when I got here, and I got a lot of help from other members of the team," she said. "And of course Tim

is an incredible coach. He helped me out a lot."

Freshman Michael Hagan says that there is a clear difference in quality of debate exhibited by teams where the students put in several hours of preparation every day, and those who put in one hour a day.

"I've been known to start doing debate work at two in the afternoon, working 'til two in the morning," Hagan said. "I'm beginning to think we should get ten credits for debating, instead of one!"

Hagan has been debating intensively since high school, however, and definitely feels that the fun of debating outweighs the hard work.

Sophomore Nora Cronin emphasized that a closeness often develops, not only within the team, but within the debate community as a whole.

"You talk to any debater, they'll talk about how the community is really close-knit," Cronin said. "It's not the debating itself that ropes you in, it's the community."

The highlight of senior debater Goss' last tournament was, in fact, the community experience.

"It was funny-at the awards ceremony, they were passing out awards from the middle of the room for some reason, so it was kind of like everybody was around the perimeter of the room," Goss said. "I was looking around, and being kind of emotional, because it was my last tournament, and it was a community. I knew all the people in the room. I might not have been friends with them all, but we knew them all. It was really great having that experience at the last tournament."

The next season for policy debate will begin on August 1st, the day when the season's topic is announced. All of the teams will be debating this topic until the following April.

Freshman Adrienne Barnett said she feels that this was an important season for the debate team.

"This is going to be a year that people refer back to, because everything's changed," Barnett said. "I just feel like this was a really ground-breaking year, because we...gave Mary Washington back some confidence and stature."

"I'm beginning to think we should get ten credits for debating, instead of one."

Michael Hagan

Taking A DIP: Drunk In Public

By RYAN SMITH
Staff Writer

The police saw us before we saw them. We were a group of freshman guys walking back from an upperclass party that we didn't even get into. They sat parked at the corner of William Street and Sunken Road, their blue lights flashing a warning signal across our path. My friend picked a bad time to trip on the sidewalk.

"Hey," one officer said. "C'mon over here."

We dutifully obeyed the order. "You guys been drinking?" the officer asked. "Open up that backpack. Lemme see what you got inside."

My friend, no student of Fifth Amendment rights, opened the backpack, revealing our contraband. The officers confiscated our beer, and we surrendered our student ID cards. After the police officers completed our citations for Underage Possession of Alcohol, we lined up for the Breathalyzer test. I turned foolishly angry.

"What the hell's your problem?" I asked the officers. "We're about 100 yards from the dorm, and we weren't causing any trouble. We decided to walk, rather than drive, because we thought we were being safe. Why don't you stop wasting your time here and solve some real crimes. Don't you guys have anything better to do?"

That was it. The angry police officers dismissed my friends, and led me to the squad car. My belligerence led to a Drunk in Public arrest, a Class 4 misdemeanor. I was on my way to the Rappahannock Regional Correctional Facility.

Article 18.2-388 of the Code of Virginia, detailing "Crimes Involving Morals and Decency," states: "If any person profanely curses or swears or is intoxicated in public, whether such intoxication results from alcohol, narcotic drug or other intoxicant or drug of whatever nature, he shall be deemed guilty of a Class 4 misdemeanor."

Drunk driving remains illegal and drunk walking is also a criminal offense; don't even think about riding that 10-speed after you've had a few drinks. But how does one determine whether or not a person is illegally drunk? The individual may "look" intoxicated from afar, but police must rely upon a more interactive form of judgment.

The breathalyzer accurately measures an individual's alcohol intake, and Public Intoxication laws benefit from the same quantitative "legal limit" legislation imposed upon drunk drivers. Whether driving or walking, an individual's blood alcohol concentration may not legally exceed .08, the equivalent of one beer, shot of liquor, or glass of wine. However, unlike DUI procedures,

police officers do not initiate sobriety checkpoints for "drunk walkers." Rather, a person's behavior draws attention to his level of intoxication and generally leads to the unique vocal breathalyzer test.

"When we arrest students for Public Intoxication, it's usually based on the individual's conduct," said Mary Washington College Police Lieutenant Richard Knick. "There are different stages of intoxication, from the euphoric to the downright belligerent. Sometimes we may think that an individual's drunk just by looking at them, usually by the way they're walking. However, we never just say 'that person looks drunk.' We'll issue a preliminary breath test, and follow that with a Breathalyzer."

In my situation, I failed both. My breath surely smelled like a brewery, and the breathalyzer, which measures blood-alcohol content, recorded a .172 — well above the legal limit, but not quite smashed-out-of-my-mind drunk. Belligerence compounded my crime, and my impatience and anger brought me into the drunk tank, a holding cell at the Rappahannock Regional Correctional Facility.

I had never been in the back of a police cruiser before, and I sat quietly, silenced by my cramped surroundings. One of the officers

looked back at me and shook his head.

"If only you'd kept your mouth shut, you'd be back with your friends," he said.

I nodded meekly as we drove down Lafayette Street. We stopped at the magistrate's office, and the officers went inside to register my crime. I sat alone in the car, singing Bob Dylan songs to confront the overwhelming silence. Upon arrival at the jail, the corrections officers placed my wallet and keys into a locker, and transported me to the drunk tank.

My prior knowledge of drunk tanks came mainly from movies and old Pogues songs, so I remained nervous. The corrections officer offered little comfort.

"You better be careful, boy," he said. "Last night a couple college kids were in here and they got a pretty good beating."

The uneven concrete floor held three motionless figures. One man lay stretched out on the floor, using two styrofoam trays for a pillow. Two other men slept near the bars. Regulars, I imagined. Another person sat unabashedly on the open toilet in the corner, and he acknowledged my presence with a loud "Hiya, partner!" I lay down and fell asleep on the cell floor.

I awoke at 3:30 in the morning, just as the cell doors opened. The corrections officer led in a few more people, and told me to wait outside the cell.

"You can make one phone call, but don't take too long," he said.

I dialed my friends back in the dorm and told them that my pickup should only last until around noon the next day.

"Are you nervous?" my friend asked. "You sound nervous."

"Yeah, well, it's not like I've been here before," I replied. "I don't know what to expect."

After arranging an afternoon pickup, I reentered the now-full drunk tank. Besides those convicted of Public Intoxication, the drunk tank also serves as a holding cell for all DUI arrests and some soon-to-be-released criminals. My fellow drunks all slept, and I soon rejoined them on the floor.

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to a relapse of cold weather



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to putting water back in the fountain



to no heat in the residence halls

in the stars

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Pisces - Drive yourself to succeed. The image is success makes you feel better about yourself. When others see you as a powerful person, you will then feel respected.

Aries - Fight your desire to put off doing what needs to be done. Push yourself to complete your tasks, even if you are tired.

Taurus - Increase your knowledge of your job. Learn something new that will help to advance your career and get you the salary you want.

Gemini - Spend some time today looking back at your life. Think about what you have done to cause others heartache. Try to fix this. Get rid of the guilt you feel.

Cancer - A new person will be drawn towards your magnetic personality. He/she will become an important part of your life in the near future.

Leo - When starting your new decorating project, be tasteful in choosing colors. Research what will be right for yourself and your family.

Virgo - Make sure that you are taking care of your body the way that it needs to be taken care of. Get a check-up. Stay up to date with your exercise schedule.

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Scorpio - You will soon be held accountable for something you did. Explain why you did this and what drove you to feel the way you did.

Sagittarius - Let your partner in. Inform him/her of what is bothering you. Improve your channels of communication by trusting your partner with your secret.

Capricorn - Beware! You are doing something very destructive to yourself but are not aware of it. Think about what you could be doing to harm your life.

Good To The Last Cup?

By LAUREN LEGARD
Assistant Features Editor

Although sophomore Allyson Sheffield has an interesting way of preparing her coffee, she uses the caffeine for a very common purpose.

"I had stayed up late studying. I had a big test and a project," Sheffield said. "I put enough instant coffee for about three or four cups in tap water so that it was honey-like and then took a shot of it. I was up all night."

According to Tim Lockett, director of Dining Services, on Feb. 15, the Eagles Nest sold 200 cups of coffee. Lockett said that this day was a typical representation of daily coffee sales.

"Coffee drinkers are coffee drinkers consistently," Lockett said. "Hot cider and hot chocolate dies down when it gets warm, but coffee accounts for about 15 percent to 20 percent of all of our beverage sales."

According to Stephen Cherniske, a research and clinical nutritionist and author of "Caffeine Blues," the harmful consequences of caffeine outweigh its benefits.

Cherniske reported that caffeine is a major cause of fatigue and is hard on the liver as it must detoxify the system. In addition, caffeine stimulates the production of stress hormones, and can cause poor digestion. Caffeine also affects an individual's sleep cycle, increases blood pressure, causes muscle tension, and contributes to iron loss.

"When someone doesn't feel well we encourage them to cut back on caffeine," said Helen Sanders, the allergy nurse at the college Health Center. "Adequate fluid intake keeps you healthy. If your basic fluid intake is coffee, then you feel weak and headachy."

She went on to say that the standard procedure when a student comes to the Health Center

complaining of insomnia, heart rate problems, and stomach problems is to encourage the student to eliminate caffeine consumption over the short term as a form of treatment.

According to the "Wall Street Journal," caffeine is not entirely harmful. The article stated that a study of more than 7,400 people between the ages of 20 and 60 suggests that caffeine can actually improve cognitive abilities.

According to "The Mirror," caffeine has been shown to "boost energy levels, may help prevent colorectal cancer and may even protect against Parkinson's."

Although there may be positive effects, withdrawal symptoms, have often been cited in connection with caffeine. These withdrawal symptoms, according to Cherniske, can include headache and depression, as well as fatigue, irritability, disorientation, muscle tension, nausea, and vomiting.

Sophomore Meredith Wadsworth experienced some of these symptoms firsthand.

"I gave up caffeine for about a month for Lent but drank coke instead. I was shaking, and had a headache for two weeks. I didn't want to get out of bed on the first day," she said.

If someone really wants to quit drinking coffee completely, Cherniske said that quitting cold-turkey is rarely successful. He offers alternatives plans such as replacing caffeinated coffee with a coffee alternative, or weaning oneself off of coffee gradually to avoid the headaches associated with withdrawal.

"I try to limit [the number of cups of coffee] to one in a day or every other day. I usually have no reaction to the caffeine and haven't tried to stop," said junior Lia Gamboa. "I am picky. I don't like watered-down stuff."

So if you drink coffee make sure to consider the pros and cons of your beverage choice.

FAST FACT:

When ordering coffee on U.S. flights, for the East Coast, "regular" is with milk and sugar; on the West Coast, "regular" coffee is black.



Junior Jordan Monroe helps himself to some coffee in the Eagle's Nest. The Eagle's Nest sells about 200 cups of coffee a day.

God Save The Rugby Queen

By SARAH WHAREN
Staff Writer

I trudged through the mud in my sopping clothes to line up behind the other girls. Rain stung my face and made me squint as I tried to remember what we had been instructed to do. Lie down on your stomach, arms in push-up position. When the whistle blows, get up as fast as you can, sprint toward the blue tackling bag, and take it down with as much force as possible. I reached the front of the line and got down on my stomach, feeling the mush squish between my fingers. Digging my toes into the mud and glaring at my target, I held my breath and waited for the whistle.

Studying abroad in Bath, England for a semester was my chance to immerse myself in British culture. I was prepared to challenge myself in my studies and in other activities. The other American students and I were strongly encouraged to participate in events and organizations in the community and at the nearby University of Bath. So, when my best friend suggested that we join the University of Bath Women's Rugby team, I thought, why not?

Let me put this into perspective. The only sports I have ever played were a little

tennis in high school and soccer for a season when I was six. I still don't know why I thought it would be fun to play a full-contact sport with nothing between me and a very large Welsh woman but my cheap sweats and a T-shirt. But, I took on the challenge and returned to the States knowing that it had made me a stronger person.

At first, my best friend Dana Ross' idea sounded like a good one. "I'll teach you how to lie flat correctly, so you don't get hurt," Ross said. "You don't even have to play in any games, just go to the practices with me."

Ross demonstrated on me a few times before we attended the first practice. She helped me get accustomed to taking a fall without breaking a wrist or getting a cleat in the face. I now know that she was going easy on me.

Ross and I boarded the bus to the University of Bath for the first practice with our cleats flung over our shoulders, feeling oh, so cool. By the end of the night, I would be limping back to my house with nothing on my mind but soaking in a long, hot bath and crawling into bed.

The practice started with two laps around the 'pitch' or playing field. So far, so good. Then, we did a few passing drills, concentrating on passing the oversized football to the side in a spiral. After that, some more drills were performed over and over again involving more running than I've ever done in my short, inactive life.

Being an addition to the women's rugby team became a physical challenge in my life, as well as a lot of fun. The weeks went by and I got better at tackling. By the end of the semester, the Welsh girl who was twice my size found it difficult to bring me down and I had learned to grab at the knees to effectively send someone slamming into the ground.

Glaring at the blue tackling bag, every nerve was on edge, waiting for the signal. The shrill whistle barely started to blow and I was on my feet, arms outstretched, teeth clenched. The bag slammed into my right shoulder, exactly as I had planned. I grabbed hold of the thick cylinder and felt it smash into the mud, sliding a bit from the momentum.

"Well done, American," the coach yelled.

I got up, quickly reset the bag for the next player, and trotted back to the end of the line. Smiling to myself I thought, "Let's do it again, and better this time."



photo courtesy of Sarah Wharen
Sarah Wharen, right, and her friend Dana Ross played rugby in Bath, England

MWC's Best Kept Secret

By AUDREY MORAN
Staff Writer

What are the ingredients for cooking up a 22 person shocker of a Mary Washington College debate team in 2000-2001, from the base of a seven person team in the 1999-2000 year? Well, first include Tim O'Donnell, hired as the new director of the debate team early last year; a hearty portion of recruiting over last summer; fifteen willing and able new Mary Washington College debaters. Then add about twenty to thirty hours of researching and practicing per student each week and several gallons of all-around energy, enthusiasm and perseverance.

Combine all ingredients, stir strongly for several months but until the end of the debate season. Serve cold to Eagles' debate opponents.

Congratulations! You now know how to create Mary Washington's most successful debate team ever.

"We brought home two awards last year; they're hanging on our walls," senior Judy Goss said. "This year we brought home awards at almost every tournament we competed at. Last year people said 'Mary Washington's not competition.'"

Whether it's within your culinary powers to create this sort of masterpiece or not, all of the best debate chefs have recognized that the Mary Washington College team has grown and flourished this year under O'Donnell's guidance and encouragement. He was awarded the Lambert Award, which is for coaches who shape good teams under difficult conditions. O'Donnell debated in high school and college, and has previously been assistant director of Debate at the University of Pittsburgh and director of debate for a nationally recognized high school team.

Emphasis on team play is a very strong factor in the college's debate team. Freshman Hazel Uhlenhopp said that the team mentality helped because her debate experience prior to college was very low-caliber.

"I had to learn it all when I got here, and I got a lot of help from other members of the team," she said. "And of course Tim

is an incredible coach. He helped me out a lot."

Freshman Michael Hagan says that there is a clear difference in quality of debate exhibited by teams where the students put in several hours of preparation every day, and those who put in one hour a day.

"I've been known to start doing debate work at two in the afternoon, working 'til two in the morning," Hagan said. "I'm beginning to think we should get ten credits for debating, instead of one!"

Hagan has been debating intensively since high school, however, and definitely feels that the fun of debating outweighs the hard work.

Sophomore Nora Cronin emphasized that a closeness often develops, not only within the team, but within the debate community as a whole.

"You talk to any debater, they'll talk about how the community is really close-knit," Cronin said. "It's not the debating itself that ropes you in, it's the community."

The highlight of senior debater Goss' last tournament was, in fact, the community experience.

"It was funny—at the awards ceremony, they were passing out awards from the middle of the room for some reason, so it was kind of like everybody was around the perimeter of the room," Goss said. "I was looking around, and being kind of emotional, because it was my last tournament, and it was a community. I knew all the people in the room. I might not have been friends with them all, but we knew them all. It was really great having that experience at the last tournament."

The next season for policy debate will begin on August 1st, the day when the season's topic is announced. All of the teams will be debating this topic until the following April.

Freshman Adrienne Barnett said she feels that this was an important season for the debate team.

"This is going to be a year that people refer back to, because everything's changed," Barnett said. "I just feel like this was a really ground-breaking year, because we...gave Mary Washington back some confidence and stature."

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Taking A DIP: Drunk In Public

By RYAN SMITH
Staff Writer

The police saw us before we saw them. We were a group of freshman guys walking back from an upperclass party that we didn't even get into. They sat parked at the corner of William Street and Sunken Road, their blue lights flashing a warning signal across our path. My friend picked a bad time to trip on the sidewalk.

"Hey," one officer said. "C'mon over here."

We dutifully obeyed the order. "You guys been drinking?" the officer asked. "Open up that backpack. Lemme see what you got inside."

My friend, now student of Fifth Amendment rights, opened the backpack, revealing our contraband. The officers confiscated our beer, and we surrendered our student ID cards. After the police officers completed our citations for Underage Possession of Alcohol, we lined up for the Breathalyzer test. I turned foolishly angry.

"What the hell's your problem?" I asked the officers. "We're about 100 yards from the dorm, and we weren't causing any trouble. We decided to walk, rather than drive, because we thought we were being safe. Why don't you stop wasting your time here and solve some real crimes. Don't you guys have anything better to do?"

That was it. The angry police officers dismissed my friends, and led me to the squad car. My belligerence led to a Drunk in Public arrest, a Class 4 misdemeanor. I was on my way to the Rappahannock Regional Correctional Facility.

Article 18.2-388 of the Code of Virginia, detailing "Crimes Involving Morals and Decency," states: "If any person profanely curses or swears or is intoxicated in public, whether such intoxication results from alcohol, narcotic drug or other intoxicant or drug of whatever nature, he shall be deemed guilty of a Class 4 misdemeanor."

Drunk driving remains illegal and drunk walking is also a criminal offense; don't even think about riding that 10-speed after you've had a few drinks. But how does one determine whether or not a person is illegally drunk? The individual may "look" intoxicated from afar, but police must rely upon a more interactive form of judgment.

The breathalyzer accurately measures an individual's alcohol intake, and Public Intoxication laws benefit from the same quantitative "legal limit" legislation imposed upon drunk drivers. Whether driving or walking, an individual's blood alcohol concentration may not legally exceed .08, the equivalent of one beer, shot of liquor, or glass of wine. However, unlike DUI procedures, police officers do not initiate sobriety checkpoints for "drunk walkers."

Rather, a person's behavior draws attention to his level of intoxication and generally leads to the *u n e q u i v o c a l* breathalyzer test.

"When we arrest students for Public Intoxication, it's usually based on the individual's conduct," said Mary Washington College Police Lieutenant Richard Knick. "There are different stages of intoxication, from the euphoric to the downright belligerent. Sometimes we may think that an individual's drunk just by looking at them, usually by the way they're walking. However, we never just say 'that person looks drunk.' We'll issue a preliminary breath test, and follow that with a Breathalyzer."

In my situation, I failed both. My breath surely smelled like a brewery, and the breathalyzer, which measures blood-alcohol content, recorded a .172—well above the legal limit, but not quite smashed-out-of-my-mind drunk. Belligerence compounded my crime, and my impatience and anger brought me into the drunk tank, a holding cell at the Rappahannock Regional Correctional Facility.

I had never been in the back of a police cruiser before, and I sat quietly, silenced by my cramped surroundings. One of the officers

looked back at me and shook his head.

"If only you'd kept your mouth shut, you'd be back with your friends," he said.

I nodded meekly as we drove down Lafayette Street. We stopped at the magistrate's office, and the officers went inside to register my crime. I sat alone in the car, singing Bob Dylan songs to confront the overwhelming silence. Upon arrival at the jail, the corrections officers placed my wallet and keys into a locker, and transported me to the drunk tank.

My prior knowledge of drunk tanks came mainly from movies and old Pogues songs, so I remained nervous. The corrections officer offered little comfort.

"You better be careful, boy," he said. "Last night a couple college kids were in here and they got a pretty good beating."

The uneven concrete floor held three motionless figures. One man lay stretched out on the floor, using two styrofoam trays for a pillow. Two other men slept near the bars. Regulars, I imagined. Another person sat unabashedly on the open toilet in the corner, and he acknowledged my presence with a loud "Hiya, partner!" I lay down and fell asleep on the cell floor.

I awoke at 3:30 in the morning, just as the cell doors opened. The corrections officer led in a few more people, and told me to wait outside the cell.

"You can make one phone call, but don't take too long," he said.

I dialed my friends back in the dorm and told them that my lockup should only last until around noon the next day.

"Are you nervous?" my friend asked. "You sound nervous."

"Yeah, well, it's not like I've been here before," I replied. "I don't know what to expect."

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athlete of the week

Dana Hall

Women's Lacrosse coach Dana Hall won her 100th game against Catholic University on Tuesday.



Bridget Geiman attacks the goal versus St. Mary's.

Johnson's Final Thoughts A MWC Senior Gives Take on DIII Sports

By BRYAN JOHNSON
Staff Writer

"Man, this school sucks." "There's nothing to do here." "We need a football team."

How many times have I heard comments like these while walking around campus?

In my (almost) four years at Mary Washington College, I've heard countless people complain about having nothing to do. I'm here to say one thing — get involved.

Play a sport. If you get cut from one of the college's 23 varsity sports, join a club team, like the club lacrosse and field hockey teams that have emerged on campus.

Club rugby is one of our top sports and is the only team, men's or women's that can hang with the likes of "imposing"

Division I teams such as Georgetown, the University of Virginia, Maryland, and yes, even the "almighty" Virginia Tech. I can tell you from experience, it doesn't take any know-how to join the rugby team. Very few of the present players competed on a high school rugby team.

Going to practice not your thing? Fine, play intramural sports. Although not much has happened in the school's sports world recently, thanks to Mother Nature and the school keeping our fields in a never-been-used condition, there are always tournaments going on. Even if you're not very good, do something.

Don't waste your time complaining about how life at a Division III school sucks. I've heard it for four years, and no, a football team isn't the answer.

Very few people support the teams we do have. The rugby team and the basketball team have had success drawing fans this year, and the baseball team and women's lacrosse team usually draw crowds on sunny days. Who cares

if you don't know anybody on the team? Support the team we do have, instead of whining about the teams we don't have.

If Mary Washington College ever did get a football team, people wouldn't support a squad who lost ninety percent of their games over the first five years, which is what I bet would happen.

The school community complains about a lack of spirit on campus. Apparently these critics have never been part of a packed Goolnick crowd during a men's basketball game cheering on the Eagles as if the game were in the final seconds of the NBA playoffs.

What I'm trying to say is that these four years at Mary Washington College are going to have their ups and downs. I'm one of the few remaining students who got to be a part of the Homecoming of '97, when we tailgated like it was our

job. Yeah, the college has its problems, but why add to them by whining about the lack of school spirit?

Be productive — play a sport, go to a game, support your friends and classmates.

Senior rugby Captain Jeff Hoffman

asked me a question two weeks ago, as I jumped into the B-Side rugby game despite a bad back that sidelined me this season.

"Yo, BJ," he jokingly said. "You trying to reclaim some of the glory days?"

At the time, the question meant nothing, but the more I think about it, the more it rings true. These are the glory days, and they will pass you by. Don't sit around for the next one, two, or three years and complain about life at Mary Washington College.

Get out there and do something about it. Make some memories before it's too late, because twenty years from now that's all you will have — scars to show your kids, stories to tell them about how good you were, and the memories of playing with the best bunch of guys you've ever known and played with.

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Bryan Johnson

FAST FACT:

The band Aerosmith has many songs people know like "Sweet Emotion" and "Walk This Way". Their only #1 hit though is "Don't Want To Miss A Thing".

Rolling With The Punches

Bridget Geiman Balances Life And Lacrosse

By KEVIN J. HICKERSON
Sports Editor

Over the past four years, senior Bridget Geiman has been living and breathing lacrosse here at Mary Washington College.

On Tuesday, April 17, the day of the Capital Athletic Conference tournament match up against Catholic University, it is business as usual for Geiman.

"We need to go out there immediately and show [Catholic] that we can play," Geiman said.

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Geiman said, "I started playing lacrosse freshman year of high school because I wanted to do something in the spring."

Judy Geiman, Bridget's mother, thought that her daughter had a different motivation in choosing lacrosse.

"I think the reason she chose lacrosse is that she wanted to play a different sport from her sisters," she said. "Her younger sister had played soccer and her other sister had done cheerleading. I think Bridget was looking for her own sport. No one had done lacrosse before. She started playing it and liked it from the beginning. That became her sport."

Head coach Dana Hall said she saw an unpolished gem in Geiman even though Geiman was not sure if she wanted to play.

"Well I guess the story is that she wasn't sure if she was going to even try out when she came here as a freshman," Hall said. "If it weren't for Allison Brister, who is her housemate now, talking about coming to the mandatory meeting, I guess she might not be playing today."

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geime. A turnover in Catholic's end proves costly, though, and a couple of passes later Geiman was in control. She streaks in front of the goal and before you can blink she buries the ball in the back of the net. This is just the beginning.

It's 3-2 and Catholic seems to be hanging around. Geiman scores two goals in a two-minute span that jump-starts a seven goal run by the team.

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Off the field, she is a brilliant student majoring in economics who has a sparkling 3.8 GPA and she was the recipient of Mary Siegrist Hinz Leadership Award,

given to one senior at Mary Washington College per year.

Professor Steven A. Greenlaw, chairperson of the economics department, sees similarities between her play on the field and her work ethic in the classroom.

"It struck me that she plays lacrosse like she does her studies," Greenlaw said. "She's always at the right place at the right time. She's not flashy; she just gets the job done."

Hegmann said that he thinks Geiman will not only be remembered for her playing ability but also for her work inside the classroom.

"The records and the All-American awards she has achieved as a sophomore, junior and senior should leave a legacy," Hegmann said, "but she was also excellent in the classroom and that should set an example for future athletes."

Greenlaw said that Geiman will be missed in the economics department.

"She's one of the best students I've had," Greenlaw said. "I bet she's great to coach because she is easy to teach. She's one of those students that only come around every decade or so."

That's A Wrap

By **KATY COHEN**
Staff Writer

MWC will host three Capital Athletic Conference Tournaments this weekend. On Thursday, April 19 the baseball team which, is seeded number one in the conference, will host the winner of the game between Salisbury State University and St. Mary's College. They will go into the tournament with an overall record of 21-6 and a 7-3 record in CAC. The baseball team is headed towards NCAA tournament play if their success continues throughout the upcoming weekend.

The women's softball team is also performing very well this year. The team will go into post-season play with an 18-12 overall and 5-3 CAC record. They will go into the tournament ranked 3rd in CAC. Their

first match of the tournament will be played on Saturday, April 21 and if they are successful they will continue playing and possibly make it into the NCAA tournament.

The 2001 tennis competition will also take place at the Battleground fields when the Eagles will host this year's tennis brackets. The men are ranked 15th in the nation and will head into this weekend's games with an 11-7 overall record and a 2-0 CAC record. The women's record is 7-4 overall but they have not played any conference games this season. These tennis teams hope to have success over the weekend and look forward to a winning season in the fall.

Along with the tennis and baseball tournaments, the track and field teams will host their CAC tournament for the second year in a row. MWC defends the title and will try and recapture the CAC victory.

On Friday, April 20 the women's lacrosse team will face St. Mary's College in the semifinals of the CAC tournament. In their last match against the Hawks they defeated them 13-9. If the women win on Friday they will be in the finals and with a victory they will move onto NCAA tournament play. Their overall record this year is 12-3 and 4-1 in CAC play.

The men's lacrosse team had a tough schedule this season, facing nationally ranked squads in nearly all their matches. They will face Swarthmore College on Monday, April 23 in a non-conference match. Their record this season is 3-8 overall and 2-4 in CAC play.

Check back next semester for the conclusions to this season.

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athlete of the week

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Women's Lacrosse coach Dana Hall won her 100th game against Catholic University on Tuesday.



Bridget Geiman attacks the goal versus St. Mary's.

Johnson's Final Thoughts A MWC Senior Gives Take on DIII Sports

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"Man, this school sucks." "There's nothing to do here." "We need a football team."

How many times have I heard comments like these while walking around on campus?

In my (almost) four years at Mary Washington College, I've heard countless people complain about having nothing to do. I'm here to say one thing — get involved.

Play a sport. If you get cut from one of the college's 23 varsity sports, join a club team, like the club lacrosse and field hockey teams that have emerged on campus.

Club rugby is one of our top sports and is the only team, men's or women's that can hang with the likes of "imposing" Division I teams such as Georgetown, the University of Virginia, Maryland, and yes, even the "almighty" Virginia Tech. I can tell you from my own experience, it doesn't take any know-how to join the rugby team. Very few of the present players competed on a high school rugby team.

Going to practice not your thing? Fine, play intramural sports. Although not much has happened in the school's sports world recently, thanks to Mother Nature and the school keeping our fields in a never-been-used condition, there are always tournaments going on. Even if you're not very good, do something.

Don't waste your time complaining about how life at a Division III school sucks. I've heard it for four years, and no, a football team isn't the answer.

Very few people support the teams we do have. The rugby team and the basketball team have had success drawing fans this year, and the baseball team and women's lacrosse team usually draw crowds on sunny days. Who cares

if you don't know anybody on the team? Support the team we do have, instead of whining about the teams we don't have.

If Mary Washington College ever did get a football team, people wouldn't support a squad who lost ninety percent of their games over the first five years, which is what I bet would happen.

The school community complains about a lack of spirit on campus. Apparently these critics have never been part of a packed Goolrick crowd during a men's basketball game cheering on the Eagles as if the game were in the final seconds of the NBA playoffs.

What I'm trying to say is that these four years at Mary Washington College are going to have their ups and downs. I'm one of the few remaining students who got to be a part of the Homecoming of '97, when we tailgated like it was our

job. Yeah, the college has its problems, but why add to them by whining about the lack of school spirit? Be productive — play a sport, go to a game, support your friends and classmates. Senior rugby Captain Jeff Hoffman asked me a question two weeks ago, as I jumped into the B-Side rugby game despite a bad back that sidelined me this season.

"Yo, BJ," he jokingly said. "You trying to reclaim some of the glory days?"

At the time, the question meant nothing, but the more I think about it, the more it rings true. These are the glory days, and they will pass you by. Don't sit around for the next one, two, or three years and complain about life at Mary Washington College.

Get out there and do something about it. Make some memories before it's too late, because twenty years from now that's all you will have — scars to show your kids, stories to tell them about how good you were, and the memories of playing with the best bunch of guys you've ever known and played with.

FAST FACT:

The band Aerosmith has many songs people know like "Sweet Emotion" and "Walk This Way". Their only #1 hit though is "Don't Want To Miss A Thing".

Rolling With The Punches Bridget Geiman Balances Life And Lacrosse

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Over the past four years, senior Bridget Geiman has been living and breathing lacrosse here at Mary Washington College.

On Tuesday, April 17, the day of the Capital Athletic Conference tournament match up against Catholic University, it is business as usual for Geiman.

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"I started playing soccer when I was really young,"

Geiman said. "I started playing lacrosse freshman year of high school because I wanted to do something in the spring."

Judy Geiman, Bridget's mother, thought that her daughter had a different motivation in choosing lacrosse.

"I think the reason she chose lacrosse is that she wanted [to play] a different sport from her sisters," she said. "Her younger sister had played soccer and her other sister had done cheerleading. I think Bridget was looking for her own sport. No one had done lacrosse before. She started playing it and liked it from the beginning. That became her sport."

Head coach Dana Hall said she saw an unpolished gem in Geiman even though Geiman was not sure if she wanted to play.

"Well I guess the story is that she wasn't sure if she was going to even try out when she came here as a freshman," Hall said. "If it weren't for Allison Brister, who is her housemate now, talking about coming to the mandatory meeting, I guess she might not be playing today."

Setting A Tone For The Day

Catholic University is playing some tough defense in the first five minutes of the

game. A turnover in Catholic's end proves costly, though, and a couple of passes later Geiman was in control. She streaks in front of the goal and before you can blink she buries the ball in the back of the net. This is just the beginning.

It's 3-2 and Catholic seems to be hanging around. Geiman scores two goals in a two-minute span that jump-starts a seven goal run by the team.

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A Big Scar

Throughout her lacrosse career, Geiman has known how to make an entrance. In her first six games as a freshman, she was ranked fourth in the nation in scoring with 15 goals.

Unfortunately, her season was cut short. She went down with an ACL tear in her left knee.

"At the time it was very hard," she said. "The six months of rehab was very time consuming and painful."

Coach Hall said she had sympathy for Geiman and remembers her persistence to get back on the field.

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After their graduation, Max, Skippy, Grover and Otis all find themselves in limbo between college and professional life. They do anything they can to keep their lives as static as possible by creating diversions for themselves, like crossword puzzles, television, beer on weekday afternoons, and endless trivia games.

"Kicking and Screaming" is one of those rare films in which you discover something else to relate to every time you see it. In one of my favorite scenes, two of the graduates are strolling down campus when some random guy passes them and says, "Hey," and keeps walking.

"Do you know him?" one of them asks.

"No," says the other. "Stupid freshmen say 'hi' to everybody."

Every time that happens to me on campus walk, I crack up.

The three of us still compare our lives to three of the characters. Julie has the hardest time dealing with confrontation, even something as simple as asking for a

receipt. She is most similar to Otis, who has a degree in mechanical engineering but gets a job at Video Planet; he has an intelligence that far exceeds the average college student, but is too afraid of change to make good use of it.

I most resemble Max because of my constant pessimism in any situation; I'm known for starting conversations with the rhetorical question, "Do you know what I hate?" Similarly, Max sits around grumbling things like: "I wish we were just going off to war. Or retiring. I wish I was just retiring after a lifetime of hard labor."

Kathryn's similarities to Grover stem from her coping methods for relationship problems; Grover deals with his girlfriend's rejection of him by avoiding her calls and gallivanting with younger women, whereas Kathryn in the past has been known to avoid boyfriend problems by avoiding her boyfriends.

The inevitable time has finally come: many of us are finally in the same position as the characters; we are terrified daily by the prospect of the real world. Kathryn and I agree with Grover that the scariest part about graduation will be the year directly afterwards because of all the pressure we put upon ourselves to be successful.

So what will become of all of us, when the inevitable graduation day comes? What will we do with our lives?

My answer is like that of the characters of "Kicking and Screaming": I don't know. Somehow, being able to sympathize with the five boys has prepared us for what will happen come graduation day. And the day after.



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Grover (Josh Hamilton) discusses the future with his girlfriend (Olivia d'Abo).

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about the future, and watching "Kicking and Screaming." We were transfixed with the five male characters and through them we searched for our own identities as we prepared for the major transition ahead of us.

After their graduation, Max, Skippy, Grover and Otis all find themselves in limbo between college and professional life. They do anything they can to keep their lives as static as possible by creating diversions for themselves, like crossword puzzles, television, beer on weekday afternoons, and endless trivia games.

"Kicking and Screaming" is one of those rare films in which you discover something else to relate to every time you see it. In one of my favorite scenes, two of the graduates are strolling down campus when some random guy passes them and says, "Hey," and keeps walking.

"Do you know him?" one of them asks.

"No," says the other. "Stupid freshmen say 'hi' to everybody."

Every time that happens to me on campus walk, I crack up.

The three of us still compare our lives to three of the characters. Julie has the hardest time dealing with confrontation, even something as simple as asking for a

receipt. She is most similar to Otis, who has a degree in mechanical engineering but gets a job at Video Planet; he has an intelligence that far exceeds the average college student, but is too afraid of change to make good use of it.

I most resemble Max because of my constant pessimism in any situation. I'm known for starting conversations with the rhetorical question, "Do you know what I hate?" Similarly, Max sits around grumbling things like: "I wish we were just going off to war. Or retiring. I wish I was just retiring after a lifetime of hard labor."

Kathryn's similarities to Grover stem from her coping methods for relationship problems; Grover deals with his girlfriend's rejection of him by avoiding her calls and gallivanting with younger women, whereas Kathryn in the past has been known to avoid boyfriend problems by avoiding her boyfriends.

The inevitable time has finally come: many of us are finally in the same position as the characters; we are terrified daily by the prospect of the real world. Kathryn and I agree with Grover that the scariest part about graduation will be the year directly afterwards because of all the pressure we put upon ourselves to be successful.

So what will become of all of us, when the inevitable graduation day comes? What will we do with our lives?

My answer is like that of the characters of "Kicking and Screaming": I don't know. Somehow, being able to sympathize with the five boys has prepared us for what will happen come graduation day. And the day after.



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Grover (Josh Hamilton) discusses the future with his girlfriend (Olivia d'Abo).

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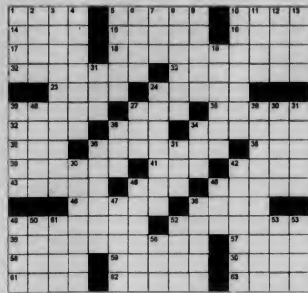
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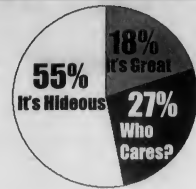
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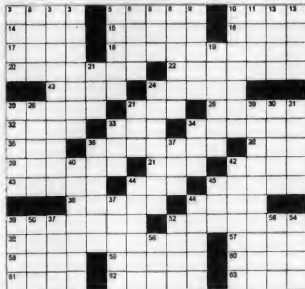
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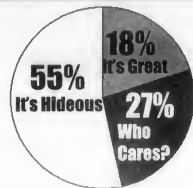
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Executive Teaches Secrets To Success

Circuit City CEO Richard Sharp Lectures To Students

By CRYSTAL SANTERRE
Staff Writer

Richard Sharp, chairman of Circuit City Stores since 1994, visited Mary Washington College on Wednesday, April 18 as part of the Executive-in-Residence program. The program takes place twice a year and is intended to expose students from any discipline at the college to a well-established business leader.

Sharp spoke to three sessions of business classes about "Corporate Planning and Strategy," "The Qualities of Business Leadership," and "Marketing Strategies," according to the day's schedule.

At the conclusion of his day at the college, Sharp spoke with a group of 14 students in an informal career session. At this meeting, he explained his own career path through the Air Force, computer services, small business ownership, and upper-management at Circuit City.

Jeremy Powers, a senior business major, said that Sharp spoke about issues he had learned in previous business classes.

"The program shows us that anyone can start up a small business and it's possible to be successful at it," Powers said.

According to Powers, Sharp also gave insight into the current economical recession during his "Corporate Planning and Strategy" session.

During the 1980s, when Sharp climbed up to CEO of Circuit City, the stock market slumped

three times.

"We made money during those times," Sharp said. "Just not as much. We were able to continue growing during the downturns."

The key to financial success in a large corporation, according to Sharp, is honesty with the long-term shareholders who see the company grow over years, rather than quarters.

"Don't run your company for Wall Street. Run your company for long-term investors," he said.

The college does not pay visitors in the Executive-in-Residence program, as the leaders come to speak out of their own interest for Mary Washington College and the students here.

"We cannot pay them enough," said Ronald Singleton, co-chair of the program and senior vice-president for advance and college relations.

Sharp, who lives in Richmond, began his leadership career in 1975 when he founded his own consulting business, Applied Systems Corporation, using the knowledge he gained electrical engineering and computer science classes from the University of Virginia and the College of William and Mary. He said in the career session that he never received a degree, but learned the most about work ethic and computer technology in the Air Force during the Vietnam War.

Later, after selling his business and joining Circuit City as executive vice president, the company's board urged him to attend Harvard Business School's Advanced Management Program, which trained Sharp in finance, accounting, and management, he said.

The key to good general business, according to Sharp, is hiring good people to work at all levels of the company and contribute to the team's vision.

"My job at Circuit City was to recruit, motivate, and retain quality people in the company," he said.

In the career session, Sharp said that he dedicated a lot of time to his career, rarely sleeping more than five hours per night. He is glad to have had the opportunity to lead at Circuit City, but also glad to have the time now to volunteer and give financially to his community.

Participants in the Executive-in-Residence program receive personal invitations from college alumni and friends acquainted with the participant. Recently, the program has expanded to invite one business leader per semester.

According to the program mission statement, the Executive-in-Residence is expected to interact with students, as well as "provide an opportunity for the college to encourage increased involvement and interaction of local business leaders in the life of the college."

Singleton is already planning for Kathy Hegmann, a New York executive with the IBM Corporation, to come speak next fall.



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Richard Sharp speaks to students.



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Students walk from class in front of Trinkle Hall by the new James Farmer Memorial site.

James Farmer To Be Memorialized

By CAROLINE LON
Staff Writer

The first James Farmer Visiting Professor in Human Rights, Andrew Young, will give an address on Friday coinciding with the unveiling of the Farmer memorial dedication.

The memorial's goal is to recognize Farmer, who served as a distinguished visiting professor at Mary Washington College from 1985 to 1998 and was a leader in the civil rights movement.

In the 1960's, Farmer, one of the "Big Four" of the Civil Rights Movement, organized the freedom riders, who tested bus stations throughout the South to make sure they observed the Interstate Commerce Commission's desegregation order. Farmer also was the founder and former national director of the Congress of Racial Equality. In 1998, he received the Presidential Medal of Freedom, America's highest civilian honor.

Carmen Gillespie, assistant professor of English wants the memorial to have a lasting impact.

"I hope that this is only the beginning of the college's long-term and continued recognition of James Farmer's life and his contributions to the college,

the country, and the world," Gillespie said.

Craig Vasey, professor of philosophy wants the dedication to ensure Farmer's memory at the college.

"I hope we don't have a ceremony, a bust, and a pedestal, but have everyone forget about James Farmer," Vasey said. "Rather, I hope the memorial marks the beginning of James Farmer's legacy as a constant and continuous part of the college's reputation."

Brenda Sloan, special collections librarian, hopes the memorial will inspire people to learn more about Farmer. "I think for the people here and for those coming, the memorial will get people's attention to find out who he was and learn that he spent 15 years teaching here," Sloan said. "The memorial will serve as a reminder that his living was not vain."

While at the college, Farmer taught the history of the civil rights movement and was respected and popular with the students. Even today, students speak positively about his contributions.

"I think it is very important that they acknowledge a minority professor since we have so few and since he was so influential in American history," said se-

nior Fasiha Tefera.

After Farmer's death in 1999, a committee consisting of college officials and community leaders began planning the memorial. The project is funded by donations from the Fredericksburg City Council, the Board of Supervisors of Stafford and Spotsylvania counties, the Board of Visitors and friends of James Farmer.

Junior Anjuli Sherin believes having a memorial is a good first step in reminding people of Farmer's legacy.

"A visual reminder helps reflect his importance to the school, but it shouldn't be a stopping point for how the school should honor him," Sherin said. "There should be a continuous reminder, such as a lecture series in honor of him."

The memorial includes a bronze bust of Farmer, which was designed by Richard Stravitz and cast by Wegner Metal Arts, Inc. The bust rests on a marble pedestal, cut by Tony Grappone of A.P. Grappone and Sons.

The dedication ceremony will begin at 4 p.m. Friday, April 20 with Young's speech in Dodd Auditorium and will conclude in front of Trinkle Hall with Farmer's daughters and granddaughter unveiling the sculpture.

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